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COUNTY SCHOOLS ARE THRIVING

AN INTERESTING INTERVIEW WITH MISS EMMA C. WARREN, COUNTY SUPERINTENDANT.

According to the county superintendent of schools the conditions of the 32 school districts in Clatsop county is in highly satisfactory condition. Year by year the clerks and other school officials have been gradually taking a keener and more personal interest in the schools, and slowly but surely the character of the teaching force has been assuming a higher average. Clatsop's country schools now rank fairly high.

"In a general way," said Miss Emma C. Warren, the county superintendent, "the country schools are in excellent shape. Of course, there are a few exceptions to this, as in a few of the districts there is much to be desired, but all in all I can safely say that conditions are good."

"Some districts don't pay their teachers enough," went on Miss Warren, "but on the other hand the pay of the teachers in many of the schools is satisfactory, and in a few the pay is good. When I say it is good, I mean that it is commensurate with the character of the teachers employed. Some of the districts have really excellent teachers. Clifton pays \$70 a month, and so does Olney. The average salary is about \$50. But that is not high when the high rating of many of the teachers is considered. While some of the teachers, who are practically all women, are merely beginners, on the other hand many are finely experienced and several hold life or state certificates."

The lowest salary paid in the county during the past year was \$40 a month. The district offered the young woman teacher \$35, only, but Miss Warren says she wrote to the young lady, telling her not to teach for less than \$40. The district apparently paid the sum asked. This was in a small district, however, where any big payment was not of the question. The state law requires that if the taxes apportioned to the schools is not used up during the school year, that it shall revert to the county. The law is both plain and imperative. Yet in times past there was a general reluctance on the part of school officials to permit the unused funds, if any, to revert to the county, but acting in conjunction with the state school authorities Miss Warren will endeavor to see that the provisions of the law are complied with. Compliance with the law simply means better school conditions; means that school is kept up; while non-compliance means no school or a shorter term.

When You Get It, Study Its Meaning, It Will Open Your Eyes

STRENUOUS AFFAIR FOR DR. HOLT

HAD TO OVER-RULE ORDERS FROM WASHINGTON THAT THE TRANSPORT SHERMAN SHOULD SAIL.

If Secretary of War William H. Taft were not so busily engaged in the affairs of the National Republican Convention now in session at Chicago he might be knitting his brows over a comparatively slight matter in Astoria that has arisen in relation to the quarantined transport Sherman.

Soon after entering port with her yellow flag flying, the adjutant-general of the military department of the Columbia sent a terse message to the sailing master of the Sherman. In effect the message read: "The Secretary of War directs that transport Sherman proceed forthwith to San Francisco. Acknowledge receipt and wire hour of departure."

That was Sunday. But the transport did not go despite the order from the war over lord; and she was held here because Dr. J. M. Holt, the quarantine officer, ordered her to remain. Thus there arose an apparent clash of authority between Secretary of War Taft and Dr. Holt, but the clash is more apparent than real. Entirely aside from the stand taken by Dr. Holt being justified by the results, the matter has a different explanation.

"There was no real cause of authority," said Dr. Holt, "or, at least, there was no such intention on my part. The law provides that when the ship entered quarantine, that she fell entirely within the jurisdiction of the quarantine officer; and at the same time the military jurisdiction ceased to the extent that no one but the quarantine officer could control the movements of the vessel."

"The message to go to San Francisco was probably sent without intention to interfere with the quarantine authority; probably it was a mere oversight."

"It was my duty to control the matter," went on Dr. Holt, "and I did to the best of my ability."

Among those familiar with the matter there has been much comment about the fine executive ability and the firm stand taken by Dr. Holt. That he had to assert his authority when the message from the war department was shown to him is now pretty well known. Had the sailing master of the Sherman started in to obey the message from the war department, and to ignore Dr. Holt's order to remain, a pretty situation would have arisen. This is not the first time that Dr. Holt has met the emergency of quarantining a vessel, and the subject was not new to him. The matter has been a great physical and mental strain on him, however, and he has been the busiest man in Astoria since Sunday.

PERSONAL MENTION

J. F. Snyder from Portland is at the Occident.
A. C. H. Kerr is at the Occident from Portland.
Captain Paul Jorlyensen is registered at the Occident.
R. G. Elbers of Portland is registered at the Occident.
Mr. C. L. DeLong is a visitor in the city from Long Beach.
F. H. Yertson of Ilwaco is in the city stopping at the Occident.
Lloyd R. Terwilliger from Walla Walla is registered at the Occident.
Frank M. Woodruff of Chicago is in Astoria stopping at the Occident.
Maude Sturgeon is in the city from Tillamook registered at the Occident.
George King is down from the Rose City and is stopping at the Occident.

PROF. CLARK AGAIN IS ELECTED

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD HELD AND VARIOUS MATTERS ARE PASSED UPON.

At an adjourned meeting of the school board held Monday night A. L. Clark was elected superintendent for the ensuing year. Other routine matters were passed upon as follows:

The teachers of Shively school, through Mrs. Bussey, turned over to the management of the board, an organ purchased by the teachers and children of Shively school for use on the first floor.

The organ was accepted and the clerk was instructed to list it in the property belonging to Shively school.

The committee on repairs was authorized to have repairs made to the Shively school as soon as the schools close for the summer.

A communication from S. H. Ronka was referred to the clerk to act as he thought best in regard to the matter.

A communication from A. E. Koenig, declining the position of teacher in the High School, and thanking the board for past favors, was read and placed on file.

A communication from Miss Annie M. Powell in regard to salary was read and placed on file.

A communication from O. F. Morton regarding the salaries of teachers was read and placed on file.

The following communication from Mrs. Jennie Bussey was read and the clerk was instructed to make the same a part of the minutes of this meeting:

"Dear Sirs—Please accept my thanks for your very kind letter, and the token of appreciation which it enclosed. Both are highly appreciated and, to me, mark the closing of my 21 years in the Astoria schools with a happy significance."

"Very truly yours,
"MRS. JENNIE BUSEY."

The matter of changing the date of the High School commencement was left to the superintendent with power to act, provided there was no extra cost.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

CONVENTION

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when the last formality was accomplished and the convention adjourned. Tonight the work of the committees' proceeding while the hotel corridors continue to be a scene of heated discussion over the vice-presidency and platform of permanent organization of the convention has been fully outlined by the committee in charge of work with A. R. Smith as the permanent chairman. The work of the committee on credentials and resolutions has been marked by a greater difficulty and the reports which come from their deliberations indicate the sharp contention before the final details of the credentials and platform are effected.

The boom of Governor Cummins for the vice-presidential nomination was the distinctive feature of the day in the contest for second place on the ticket and it received much favorable consideration. Senator Borah, who early this morning started the boom spent much of the day sounding the western delegations in his behalf and at the close of the day, announcing that he had found much encouragement. The mention of Cummins name was received with varying emotions by the members of Iowa delegation and it was soon evident that should the governor's name be pressed, others than the so-called Cummins faction would support him. Several Allison-Dolliver adherents promptly announced that as a matter of state pride if for no other reason, they would support the governor's candidacy. A number of Iowa friends of Cummins stated though, they did not communicate with him, they would assume the responsibility presenting the claim of the Iowan to second place in the event that Taft managers at Washington showed the purpose to insist on an Iowa man for the place.

There was much discussion during the day of the possibility of nomination going again to Fairbanks. There is a strong sentiment in his behalf and many predict he will again receive the honor of nomination unless the convention can be made to believe if nominated he will decline. The vice-president is doing his best to create this impression and all the inquiries met with uniform response that he will not accept.

Formal proceedings of the convention gave spectators an opportunity to see three of the conspicuous actors on the scene. Senator E. Payne, who moved that the rules of the convention prevail until the new rules be presented. Senator Long of Kansas, who presented the customary resolution for appointments of the committees and Senator Lodge, who cut short the monotonous dropping of names of committees by having the lists turned into the secretary without reading. There was but one hitch and that was momentary when Senator Burrows announced that Louisiana had completed two distinct lists for its state delegation. He speedily explained that the difficulty had been adjusted by an agreement whereby no member from Louisiana would be represented on any of the committees of the convention. Congressman Burke of Pittsburg took early occasion to get before the committee on resolutions plan to reduce representation at future national conventions. It was 2 o'clock

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MISS MAY PARKER WINS GRAND PRIZE

The following is the vote in detail:

First District.	
Miss Rose Nordstrom, 2165 Bond.....	125,702
Miss Esther Mattila, 1336 Grand avenue.....	34,464
Miss Clara Larson, 1411 Franklin avenue.....	88,773
Miss Margaret Avaina, 222 33d street.....	55,349
Miss Annie Bue, 1660 Franklin avenue.....	86,162
Miss Mamie Wilson, 364 35th street.....	33,984
Miss Enberg, 2323 Cedar street.....	29,935
Miss Nellie Davis, 1702 Franklin avenue.....	23,974
Miss Nellie Anstedt, 1653 Irving avenue.....	21,808
Second District.	
Miss Mary Fossett, 749 Grand avenue.....	1,110,752
Miss May Dench, 373 1/2 18th street.....	190,945
Miss Lydia Yoder.....	59,674
Miss Martha Foad, 392 17th street.....	38,910
Miss Lelah Gilbaugh, with Hoefler.....	41,358
Miss Olga Heilborn, 592 Franklin avenue.....	34,866
Miss Birdie Wise, 478 Harrison street.....	32,810
Miss Mabel Simington, 395 15th street.....	30,460
Miss Jeanie S. Lynch, 74 Franklin avenue.....	29,674
Miss Armella Grussi, 775 Franklin avenue.....	28,651
Miss Hazel Hamlin, with A. R. Cyrus.....	27,774
Miss Hattie Tallant, 682 Grand avenue.....	25,848
Miss Alice Nelson, 578 Grand avenue.....	21,420
Miss Birdie McCrosky, 719 Duane.....	19,695
Miss Edna Campbell, 458 Commercial street.....	19,459
Miss Elsie Elmore, 385 14th street.....	19,608
Third District.	
Miss May Parker, 291 6th street.....	1,223,568
Miss Ella Powell, 171 Exchange.....	206,673
Mrs. Arthur Hess, 341 7th street.....	200,156
Miss Edith Smith, 189 6th street.....	112,859
Miss Frances Norberg, 233 Alameda avenue.....	95,908
Miss Leta Drain, 244 6th street.....	39,815
Miss Mary Gregory, 545 8th street.....	35,939
Miss Maude Ross, 103 2nd street.....	33,632
Miss Nancie Reed, 91 Bond, at P. O.....	22,531
Miss Esther Gearhart, 359 Grand avenue.....	22,469
Miss Ruth Blinn, 386 9th street.....	17,914
Miss Hazel Estes, 237 Commercial street.....	16,822
Miss Alma Baker, 26 1/2 W. Astor.....	14,862
Miss Nellie Hagman, 108 Astor.....	14,025
Fourth District.	
Miss Olive Thompson, Chinook.....	48,440
Miss Elinor Williams, Ilwaco.....	27,040
Miss Ida Williams, Ilwaco.....	25,295
Miss Myrtle Alexander, Chinook.....	25,031
Fifth District.	
Miss Hazel Vannice, Warrenton.....	40,244
Miss Louise Brown, Hammond.....	31,694
Miss Nettie Utzinger, Seaside.....	36,429
Miss Mabel Taylor, Flavel.....	25,983
Miss Eva Coffman, Seaside.....	28,652
Miss Edith Haney, Seaside.....	24,590
Miss Eva Parker, Warrenton.....	23,949
Mrs. C. E. Linton, Warrenton.....	22,920
Miss Anna Sigurdson, Warrenton.....	47,042

The committee on resolutions met in the auditorium annex and listened to numerous persons who desire the insertion of special planks in the platform. Senator Hopkins was made chairman of the committee and Major John F. Lacey of Iowa, secretary. Among those heard were the delegation women who wanted the franchise granted to women. The delegation for foreigners want more liberal immigration laws. H. D. Clarke of Omaha spoke in favor of inland waterways improvements and advocated issuance of \$500,000,000 2 per cent bonds to carry out the work.